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# Blessed and Being a Blessing

"I will bless thee . . . . and thou shalt be a blessing." Genesis 12s2

Abraham was the recipient of the precious promises of Jehovah and in addition he became a channel of blessing. The father of an earthly people to whom, "a child was born" and "a son was given." Then the father of a heavenly people who by faith embrace Christ Jesus as their Savior and Lord. The above words of God to Abraham can in a measure aply to us today.



The year 1947 was one in which the Lord richly blessed our Conference. We have every reason to be thankful for the fine spirit which prevailed at the sessions of Conference in Berne. Truly there was a "looking unto Jesus" and a sense of mission which proved to be a real benediction. Again in the past months we were favored with open doors to missions, relief, education, larger service in various areas and a wider Christian fellowship.

Now that a new year is before us, there comes the challenge that we become a means of blessing to others. Are we going to be satisfied merely to receive the benefits of God and not pass them along to our fellowmen? With the crying needs which are found all over the world, we have the oportunities of being a blessing to the physically and spiritually destitute. Our conference desires to be a dispenser of the divine goodness. Will you pray, not only that our churches may be blessed but that God will make our congregations instruments of blessing for His honor and praise?

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# THE ONE HUNDREDTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE EASTERN DISTRICT CONFERENCE

by J. H. Fretz

On Sunday afternoon, October 26, 1947, about 300 Mennonites and friends in Eastern Pennsylvania journeyed back over the six roads to Skippack, the birthplace of the Eastern District Conference. In keeping with the faith of our fathers, the Eastern District Historical Committee chose to make this first meeting more than a mere recitation of local history and tradition. It was a meeting of praise and thanksgiving to God and Christian fellowship one with another. The major portion of the afternoon was taken up with informal messages from the following brethren: Walter Temple and Ellis Graber of the Eastern District; Melvin Bishop, Enos Wismer and Quintus Leatherman of the Franconia Conference; the Brethren Brunner and Baer of the Mennonite Brethren in Christ; Warren Slotter of the Lutheran Church; Elmer Johnson of the Schwenkfelder Church and Henry Johnson of the local, independent Skippack Congregation. Those in attendance shall never forget the reminiscences and patriarchial wisdom of the older ones nor the enthusiasm and challenging words of those younger in the Lord's work. Perhaps the most significant fruit of this fellowship meeting was



The Germantown Mennonite Meetinghouse

that these brethren, all sharing a similar Mennonite parentage and representing various groups, many of which, during the past century, have been regretably separated one from another, now jointly expressed their faith and love for the one Savior and Lord, Jesus Christ! A presentation of the old hymnbooks of our conference by William Shelly and the hearty German singing, led by Edwin Meyers of the Franconia Conference, likewise added greatly to the fellowship of those present. A souvenir program, containing articles of historical and doctrinal interest, was printed and distributed by the Historical Committee.

On Monday the Quarterly Conference of the Eastern District met at Schwenksville, a former outpost of the Skippack Congregation. In the afternoon a paper entitled, "The Sermonizing of Our Early Ministers" was read by J. H. Fretz, following which the older members assembled recounted many interesting and amusing anecdotes about John Oberholtzer, Moses Gottshall, Christian Clemmer and other early conference ministers. In the evening J. N. Smucker, Chairman of General Conference, gave an interesting exposition on Jude before the assembled congregation.

The main historical meeting was held on the anniversary date, October 28, and in the same building, the historic Skippack Meetinghouse, where just 100 years before, a group of eleven Mennonite ministers and deacons, led by John Oberholtzer, met to organize the Eastern District Conference. A large crowd again pilgrimaged to Skippack to attend this unique meeting. Three messages were presented during the evening. J. N. Smucker gave a very challenging message on the task of the Church, using the letters of the word, "Church" for his outline. Following this, Howard Nyce, Chairman of the Eastern District Conference, spoke on

Psalm 16:7, speaking on his heritage and early experiences in the church. The historical address of the evening was presented by Freeman Swartz on the subject of "Constitutionalism Among the East Pennsylvania Mennonites." He showed how Oberholtzer's written constitution occasioned the unfortunate 1847 Division and furthermore how it affected the Hunsicker Schism in 1851, the organization of the Hoch Movement in Ontario, the Skippack Secession in 1861, the Evangelical Mennonite Schism in 1858 and early mission work in Ohio. Brother Swartz closed his address with a fer-

vent plea for more brotherly recognition among Mennonite groups. The meeting closed with the spirited singing of the German hymn the spirited singing of the German hymn, Allebach of the Franconia Conference.

The One Hundredth Anniversary of the Eastern District Conference is now past. What of the future? 1848, the great year of revolutions and world turmoil, in many ways parallels our present prospects for 1948 and the future. Above all, Jesus Christ is still the same! If we lay hold of His Gospel, as did our fathers, we too will conquer in His name!



The Headquarters Office Personnel at Work

#### THE GENERAL CONFERENCE BUDGET FOR 1948

(For the convenience of individuals or churches desiring to know the percentage of each General Conference dollar needed by respective phases of work.)

Emergency Relief	\$399,100	or abopt	120%
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Foreign Mission Board	330,000		35%
Mennonite Biblical Seminary	68,500		7%
Home Mission Board	60,000		6%
Board of Education	33,940		4%
Board of Publication	22,000		2%
Peace Committee	10,000		1%
General Conf. Treasury*	13,540)		, -
Young People's Union	5,200)		
Women's Missionary Assoc.	2,368)	about	3%
Board of Mutual Aid	1,650)		
Doctrine & Conduct Committee	1,000)		

(\*Includes expenses of World Conference, Pension & Ministers' Aid, Historical, Placement, and Church Unity Committees.)



Upper left, Ronald von Riesen, Executive Secretary, Board of Education; Upper right, Esther Neufeld, Bookkeeper, conferring with Walter H. Dyck, Executive Secretary of General Conference; Lower, Publication office, mailing department.

# A DAY AT THE GENERAL CONFERENCE HEADQUARTERS

There is no predicting who will be there first-not now since the thermostat and the automatic furnaces are working correctly. It may be Walter Dyck, General Conference secretary, or it may be Marieanna Goertz, who sometimes gets up early in the morning and comes down to the mailing department to get out and on its way the MENNONITE, a recent issue of the JUNIOR MESSENGER, so that the children may get the next installment of that story they have been waiting for, in time for Sunday morning. It may be just any one of approximately eleven workers who are now working in a well-equipped office. By 8:00 the coats have been hung and cheerful good mornings have been said to all. Mr. Archer, the caretaker of the building, has a cheerful good morning for everyone as you enter, and by five minutes after eight the typewriters are singing their clickety-click-click. The Addressograph in the rear office sends out its rhythmic signals—"another—another—another — another or another" copy ready for mailing.

Monday morning mail is the heaviest—running as high as 150 pieces which Mrs. Lila Russell quickly sorts and distributes to each desk. Now out comes the whetstone and knives are sharpened as envelopes are sliced open and out tumble checks and money orders, requests for information, orders for Sunday school supplies, contributions for relief, or flour, a word of appreciation from Europe, perhaps a paralyzed woman from Italy sending to General Conference Headquarters heartfelt thanks for

some publication, a copy of the MENNONITE HYMNARY, or for a CARE package received. Careful now! Hands stop, and perhaps the throat chokes just a little bit and perhaps a tear needs to be brushed aside before the work can proceed because these letters are heart-rending sometimes and yet it is all a part of a day's work.

And now look close! That man over there at your right is Ronald von Riesen with the microphone in his hand dictating a letter, or perhaps some material which you will read four months from now in the Sunday school quarterly. He is the editor-in-chief of our Sunday school quarterlies. Beyond him is Reynold Weinbrenner; the printer has just brought in the galley proofs for the day and with scissor and pastepot he is busy preparing "dummy" copy from which the final page proofs will be made. At another desk Esther Neufeld, daughter of Rev. John T. Neufeld, business manager of the Mennonite Biblical Seminary, has sorted her share of the morning's mail and is now entering check after check and writing receipts to church after church, all of which Walter Dyck, at your desk to the left there, will be answering in person with letters of appreciation.

And precisely at that point you already know that a General Conference Headquarters Office faces a real problem. The problem is this: With a tremedous amount of detail work to be done, how can we preserve the personal touch? On the one hand, a highly mechanized office, working with modern, up-to-date files and machinery will get a tremendous amount of work done, if it can all be done mechanically. On the other hand, this world is suffering enough, from mechanized processes without it making its inroads and encroachments upon the life of the church. And yet, "It is required of a man that he be found faithful," and one way to be found faithful is to get the maximum amount of work done in the Kingdom of God each day.

Some of the work is done by personally dictated letter and some are mechanically duplicated by stencils, by off-set printing, and some through actual form letters. Much of the work is of a statistical nature and this requires very close application. There is considerable filing to be done and in the Publication Office, for example, approximately 500 letters a week go into the file—counting both incoming letters

and outgoing letters, paid invoices, Sunday school supply orders, copies of manuscripts received, renewed orders of subscriptions, and so on.

In a typical day many callers arrive. Sunday school secretaries would like to see the Publication Office to check their Sunday school supply order, or order a shipment of publications to go to Europe, let us say. Women will come in to visit with Miss Camp, Executive Secretary of the Women's Association. A church treasurer will wish to bring in a collection which has to be counted and sorted, rolled, wrapped, and deposited in the bank. Someone wishes to know whether Walter Dyck, or Ronald von Riesen, or some other person at Headquarters can take off time to make a trip here or there to speak or to assist in some phase of church or Conference work.

Here, too, friends meet from far and near. Missionaries on furlough get their mail, and members of various Conference boards meet here regularly to hold committee or board meetings. The office pulsates with new developments, projects being started and projects being finished. The outgoing mail is not carried, "it is hauled" to the post office across the street in boxes and in sacks on a little truck on those days when the mail is especially heavy.

And the beautiful thing, even though the day is a very busy day and requires the utmost of concentration and attention on the part of each and every one, is the fact that back of every transaction, every receipt, every check, every invoice, every order, every letter, is some human being, and always to be remembered is this: that the work itself is only incidental to one grand program—the building of the Kingdom of God, according to the pattern given us by our Lord and Master Jesus Christ. All else is subsidiary and secondary to that one general purpose.

It is a day at General Conference Headquarters, when 5 o'clock comes, but the day is only a part of a larger scheme of things which is not counted by days nor years nor centuries but is a part of a total commitment to Him, with whom time is no more.

# BOARD OF EDUCATION REPORT

The work of the Board of Education lies chiefly in six different areas. (1) It makes an effort to provide materials for and to promote

Christian education through the Sunday School, Retreats, and Daily Vaction Bible School. This work is aided through a sub-committee, the Curriculum Committee. In cooperation with the Publication Board three series of quarterlies are published; adult, young people's, and junior. In addition an intermediate quarterly is re-edited for our use. Recommendations of suitable supplies are made in areas where none are published by us. (2) Higher education for former CPS men is sponsored under the leadership of our Board. (3) An attempt is made to coordinate activities in higher education. A subcommittee has recently been created to work in this area. (4) A student exchange program has been promoted. This has been carried on in cooperation with Mennonite Colleges of other branches of the church. The aim is to further worldwide understanding and cooperation between Mennonites. Students have been brought from Europe, Puerto Rico, and Paraguay. (5) The Young People's Union operates under the direction of the Board of Education. This group also aids in the student exchange program and has been promoting young people's meetings and attempting to furnish some materials for their use. (6) The Minister's Retreat is sponsored by the Board of Education. Other miscellaneous activities related to the educational program of the church are also carried on.

We invite your prayers, cooperation, and counsel.

Lloyd L. Ramseyer, Secretary

#### **EMERGENCY RELIEF**

Read James 2, 15 and 16; Romans 12, 20. At the time of our last report to the Year Book, we said "The peak of our relief program so far had been reached in the year just closed—1946." We think this still holds true, but the height of the peak has not deceased nearly as rapidly as we had anticipated. The number of Relief Workers overseas is still around the 200 mark. The distribution of food and clothing is continuing. With the help of God and your willingness to furnish food and clothing, your Board will be pleased to continue to serve the needy through the MCC.

Establishing Mennonite Mental Hospitals is another very important and necessary project on our relief program to be carried out as speedily as possible.

Most important at the present time is the

rehabilitation of our Mennonite Refugees. Many are still stranded and must be transported. Groups are being sent to Paraguay in 1948. A few are trickling into Canada and the U.S.A. Others will have to await patiently their turn. The above will take much prayer, courage, work, and giving. May God give all of us willingness to do this.

Pray for the Board and the work,

John C. Mueller, Sec.

#### FOREIGN MISSIONS

During 1947 twenty-three missionaries were sent to the various mission fields. Of this number, twelve are new workers. To India, the following have been returned; Dr. and Mrs. Herbert Dester, Rev. and Mrs. Aron Jantzen, Rev. and Mrs. J. R. Duerksen. The following new workers were sent to India, Rev. and Mrs. Lubin Jantzen, Misses Melva Lehman and Leona Cressman, and Rev. and Mrs. Edward Burkhalter. To China we sent Rev. and Mrs. P. J. Boehr, Rev. and Mrs. Lester Wuthrich and Miss Aganetha Fast. To Colombia, S. A., we sent Rev. and Mrs. LaVerne Rutschman. To the Arizona mission we sent Rev. and Mrs. Henry Kliewer and to Oklahoma we sent Rev. and Mrs. Herbert Dalke.

Since the beginning of 1948, Mr. and Mrs. Willard Unruh (new workers) have left for India. Rev. W. C. Voth and Miss Elisabeth D. Goertz have left for China. Besides these, the Board has sent Mr. Erwin Schrag and Miss Marie Duerksen to India. Mr. Schrag and Miss Duerksen are also new workers. We praise God for the army of new workers. But more are needed. We need more doctors and nurses.

The Board is considering the opening of work in Puerto Rico.

The Board is also thinking of having at least one Missionary Home during the year. The work is growing and such a Home is needed

We want to thank the members of Conference for their loyal, prayerful and financial support in the cause of missions.

Cordially in Christ, Howard G.Nyce, Exec. Sec'y.

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Thiessen, Rev. and Mrs. John, Jagdeeshpur

Unruh, Mr. and Mrs. Willard, Champa

Waltner, Rev. and Mrs. Orlando (on furlogh, c/o The Biblical Seminary, 235 East 49th, New York City) Wenger, Rev. and Mrs. Paul, Korba

Wiens, Mrs. P. J., Bethel Home for Aged, Newton, Kans. (Retired)

# China

Boehr, P. J., c/o Rev. Ryding, 36 Nan Fu Kai, Chengtu, Szechuan Prov., China

Brown, Rev. and Mrs. H. J., 15 Model Terrace, East Recreation Road, Kiangwan Road, Shanghai, China Dirks, Rev. and Mrs. Marvin (4624 Woodlawn Ave., Chicago 15, Ill.)

Ewert, Rev. and Mrs. August, (1515 S. Tenth, Omaha

Fast, Aganetha, 21 Si Shen Si North Street, c/o Canadian Mission, Chengtu, Szechuan Prov., China Goering, Rev. and Mrs. S. J. (North Newton, Kansas) Goertz, Elisabeth, (c/o P. J. Boehr as shown above) Jantzen, Rev. and Mrs. Albert (on furlough, Deercreek, Oklahoma)

Kuyf, Wilhelmina (on furlough, 626 W. Allegheny, Philadelphia 33, Pa.)

Pannabecker, Dr. and Mrs. C. L. (500 W. Richwoods, Peoria 5, Ill.)

Pannabecker, Dr. and Mrs. S. F. (4614 Woodlawn, Chicago 15, Ill.)

Regier, Marie, (returning home, Whitewater, Kansas) Voth, Rev. and Mrs. W. C., 221 S. Walnut, Newton, Kansas. (Rev. W. C. Voth returned to China-address c/o P. J. Boehr as shown above)

Wuthrich, Rev. and Mrs. Lester, (c/o P. J. Boehr as shown above)

#### Columbia, South America

The address of: Cachipay, Cund., Colombia, South America applies to each of the following: Bachert, Alice Becker, Mary Keiser, Rev. and Mrs. Arthur Rutschman, Rev. and Mrs. LaVerne Soldner, Janet

Stucky, Rev. and Mrs. Gerald

# OUR HOME MISSION WORK

When \$60,355.00 are disbursed in one year, then one must conclude that Home Missions covers a large field. Our field stretches from the far north in Canada down to Brazil and Paraguay in South America. We have expanded our range of endeavor, without losing sight of our primary purpose of building up the spiritual life in the believers and win new converts to the cause of Christ.

In our endeavor to build up souls, we have purchased hundreds of German Hymn books and sent them to South America. The needs of the children were not forgotten and so we purchased almost half as many "Kinderlieder", for their use. When people worship and give expression of their faith in song and praise, they are on their way to spiritual growth. A large shipment of Devotional books has also been sent for their uplift.

When we came to realize that our brethren -some in Europe and in South America-had very little good reading materials, it was decided to supply a thousand homes with "Der Bote" weekly. This is done in operation with the Relief Board, Repeated reports have come to us that many of the beautiful poems are committed to memory by young people and recited in programs.

All contributions should be sent to, General Conference Headquarters, 722 Main Street, Newton, Kansas. Should anyone feel a desire to help in the literature work direct your gift for "The Hymnal Fund" or "Der Bote Fund".

In the homeland, through loans and some gifts, we have helped many congregations renovate, enlarge or build new houses of worship to serve the group more adequately. The fact that the salaries to our missionaries in one year almost reached the \$20,000.00 mark, gives proof that we have maintained a corps of shepherds who have been diligent in preaching the Gospel and laboring faithfully under the Great Shepherd. In the reports that we ask for quarterly from each field, there is a place for reporting new converts and there is great rejoicing when new followers of Christ are brought into the fold.

We believe in assisting those who have "contended for the faith", by this we mean we contribute to the C.P.S. Education Fund. Our colleges report that in a few years we will have many full-time Christian workers from this group.

The Evangelism Committee has helped to kindle spiritual fires in many of our churches through the tract distribution and soul-winning campaigns. In churches where real efforts have been made, the Lord blessed the labors.

We do cherish the prayers of all mission fields as you follow the lists of workers given below. When you have an hour on Sunday afternoons or some other convenient time, read each name and address and offer a prayer for the worker, his family and the field.

In Christ,

# A. J. Neuenschwander, Secretary

# HOME MISSION WORKERS CANADA

#### Itinerant Ministers

Rev. J. P. Bueckert, Gretna, Manitoba, R. R.

Rev. Isaac Epp, Prince Albert, Saskatchewan, Box 657 Rev. John J. Nickel, Main Centre, Saskatchewan

Rev. Jacob Toews, Glenlea, Manitoba

# Workers in City Churches and Girls Homes:

Miss Helena Epp, Matron, "Ebenezer Girls' Home," Bannatyne Avenue, Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Rev. Benjamin Ewert, Spiritual Leader and Bible Teacher, Girls Home, 286 River Avenue, Winnipeg, Manitoba. Rev. and Mrs. Albert Claassen, Pastor, United Mennonite Church, 140 Victor Ave., Toronto 6, Ontario.

Rev. I. I. Friesen, 864 Downing St., Winnipeg, Man., Pastor, Bethel Mennonite Church, Furby and Westminster St., Winnipeg, Man.

Miss Tina Lehn, Matron, "Mary-Martha Girl's Home," 6460 St. George Street, Vancouver, B. C.

Rev. and Mrs. J. J. Sawatzky, 2115 14 A. Street, S. W., Calgary, Alta.

Rev. and Mrs. J. J. Thiessen, Supt., and Matron Girls' Home. 443 3rd Avenue N., Saskatoon, Sask., also Pastor, First Mennonite Church, 123 4th Avenue N., Saskatoon, Sask.

Rev. and Mrs. Jacob B. Wiens, 595 E. 46th St., Vancouver, B. C. Pastor, United Mennonite Church, 49th and St. George St., Vancouver, B. C.

#### Other Workers

Rev. J. J. M. Friesen, Rheinland, Saskatchewan

Rev. A. T. Friesen, Laird, Saskatchewan

Rev. John Jul. Klassen, Yarrow, B. C.

Rev. Jacob J. Nickel, Langham, Saskatchewan

Rev. William Martens, Sardis, B. C.

Rev. V. E. Nickel, Wymark, Saskatchewan

Mr. A. T. Wiens, Mountain Sanatorium, Hamilton, Ontario

Rev. Isaac H. Wiens, Herbert, Saskatchewan

On Pension—Rev. Jacob H. Janzen, 164 Erb Street, Waterloo, Ontario

#### UNITED STATES

Rev. and Mrs. Walter H. McDowell, Quarryville, Pa., R. D. No. 2. Pastor, Calvary Church, Mechanics Grove, Pa.

Miss Catherine Niswander, Parish Worker for First Church Philadelphia, 2011 North 7th Street, Philadephlia 22, Pa.

Mennonite Church, E. Freedom, Pa.

Rev. A. H. Leaman, 4216 Greenview Ave., Chicago 13, Ill. Pastor, First Church, 7301 Laflin St. Chicago 36, Ill.

Rev. and Mrs. John Neufeld, 4215 S. Rockwell St.,
Chicago 32, Ill. Pastor, Mennonite Bible Mission, 4221
S. Rockwell St., Chicago 32, Ill.

Rev. and Mrs. Clyde H. Dirks, 5215 N. E. 23rd Avenue, Portland 11, Oregon. Pastor, Alberta Community Church, 5138 N. E. 23rd Avenue, Portland 11, Oregon

#### Churches supported in Cooperation with District Conferences

Rev. and Mrs. Myron D. Hilty, Bethel Mennonite Church, Winton, Calif.

Rev. and Mrs. Menno H. Kliewer, 315 Grant Street, Caldwell, Idaho, Pastor, First Mennonite Church, Caldwell, Idaho.

Rev. and Mrs. Henry Thiessen, Pastor, First Mennonite church, Fredonia, Kansas.

Rev. and Mrs. John G. Unruh, Pastor, First Mennonite Church, Madrid, Nebraska.

Rev. and Mrs. Abe M. Wiebe, M.C.C. Akron, Pa. Pastor, Bethel Mennonite Church, Lancaster, Pa.

## Southern Mountain Workers

Miss Elsie Pfister, Incline, Ky. Bible Classes, Sunday School Work, Miss Margaret Slotter, Cumberland, Ky., Box 509, Bible Classes, Sunday School work.

Rev. and Mrs. Andrew Holliman, Paint Rock, North Carolina. Pastor, Grace Community Chapel.

#### MEXICO

Rev. and Mrs. C. Boldt, Pastor, Hoffnungsau Mennonite Church, Cuauhtemoc, Chih., Mexico.

# Part Time Support

Mr. and Mrs. Verney Unruh, Pulaski, Iowa. York 17, N. Y. Leaders Mennonite Fellowship.

#### SOUTH AMERICA

Religious Services in Asuncion, Paraguay, with Rev. Ernst Harder, under M.C.C. director, are supported. Rev. Ernst Harder's address Comite Central Mennonite, Casilla de Correo, No. 166, Asuncion, Paraguay. Rev. Jacob Isaac, Elder, Blumenort, Fernheim, Chaco, Paraguay.

Rev. Peter Klassen, Evangelist, Visitation Worker among scattered Mennonites, Bible Teacher, C.P. 328 Curityba, Brazil.

## A SHORT LOOK AHEAD

For safe guidance on a long journey it is always best to take the long look, not the short one. Ancient mariners guided their ships by the stars—they had nothing farther away by which to guide their sailing.

Today a wise man charts his course by the "longest look" ahead, and for us, as Christians, seeking to do the will of God, that goal in clearest outline is the Kingdom of God itself. So in this short look ahead, as we view it here at General Conference Headquarters, we see the following:

FIRST.—A deep need for a moment-bymoment, hour-by-hour, day-by-day-guidance through the Holy Spirit that we may seek only "those things that make for peace."

SECOND.—The urgent need that all of the activities of all the various Conference boards and committees be integrated and coordinated into one moving, unified, harmonious, "pull." The farmer's wagon makes no progress unless the horses pull together, and the Church of the living God can make no progress, unless the various units which comprise the "team" can learn to pull together simultaneously.

THIRD.—A balanced ration for the workers. This isn't going to be what the reader will first think it could be, for we are thinking of the spiritual and economic subsidy which the various Conference projects receive from our churches. A growing body needs a balanced food intake and our Conference projects require a balanced, equated, pro-rated subsidy

if the total program of the Conference is to be effective.

FOURTH.—Dedicated personnel is needed, and some of it on a full-time basis. It is not enough to undertake *projects*; we also need *projectors!* 

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# BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Trustees held their meeting after the General Conference convened at Berne, Indiana, and reorganized with the newly elected members.

During the past year part of our business has been to transfer the title of church property in Los Angeles, California, and also in Wymark, Sachatchewan, Canada.

A conference name as a corporation had to be set up to be used in all real estate transaction and this was done by the advice of an attorney.

New investments had to be made and interest received had to be applied at its designated places.

There also has come to our office as trustees new real estate willed by three different parties. These gifts as real estate are located at different places in the state of Kansas. All of these concessions are pending in the probate court of their respective counties at present and have to wait the required time.

We are at present concerned with the matter passed by the General Conference at Berne, Indiana, to set up a Bible and Testament and also a Church Building fund.

The obligations and confidence placed upon us by the conference thru this office as stewards in the building of the Kingdom of God we covet your prayers to perform our tasks to God's honor and glory.

John W. Unruh, Sec.

# CHURCH UNITY

In the year 1947 forty-two churches were welcomed into the General Conference fellowship. Twenty-two of these congregations comprise the Central Conference of Mennonites, now known as the Central District Conference of the General Conference. These churches had been received by the Executive Committee in 1946 by authority given by the General Conference but they had not been welcomed into the General Conference as such until the Berne session of conference in August, 1947.

Of the other twenty-two congregations that were welcomed into the General Conference fellowship of churches three are in Brazil, one in Fernheim, Gran Chaco, Paraguay, eight in Canada, and the remaining in the United States.

This represents a growth in church unity for which we truly thank God. Those of us who attended the General Conference session at Berne, Indiana, will have felt that this is not merely an outward union of organization, but a union of spirit in Christ Jesus, Who prayed that we might all be one.

Sincerely yours in Christ Jesus,

W. F. Unruh, Secretary

# **EVANGELISM COMMITTTE**

The Evangelism Committee serves under the Board of Home Missions. Originally the Board of Home Missions appointed this committee for one specific purpose and task, namely, to encourage and direct our individual congregations to be active evangelizing agencies in their respective local communities. Our aim has been to encourage our churches in evangelism and in witnessing for our Lord Jesus Christ. During the year 1947 three significant forward steps have been taken.

- 1. In the spring of 1947 the Annual Council of Boards and Committees Meeting endorsed a plan of observing annually the Passion Week as a Week of Witness in our conference. The leadership of the General Conference has thus given their support to a systematic all-conference effort to win to Christ the unsaved among us and about us.
- 2. The above decision was made a few weeks before Easter. Immediately after it was made the committee published a series of short articles in the *Mennonite* encouraging our congregations to observe the week between Palm Sunday and Easter as a Week of Witness. Time was short and not very much guidance could be given, but it was a beginning of a plan that holds marvelous possibilities in future years.
- 3. We are now at the point where we systematically and regularly encourage and sponsor one evangelistic effort in the church community during the Week of Witness in spring, and another such effort in the fall of the year through the Sunday school leadership. This fall the committee sent out five posters to all Sunday school superintendents. These posters and the tracts that went with them were used

by the superintendents and teachers to bring the duty of witnessing to our people. The month of November was set aside for this united effort of winning unsaved friends to our Lord Jesus Christ. The Lord alone knows how faithful our churches have been in this Godgiven task.

Yours in the Master's service,

W. F. Unruh Secretary of Evangelism Committee

# MENNONITE BIBLICAL SEMINARY

# AS THE BOARD SEES IT

The Board of Trustees of Mennonite Biblical Seminary is endeavoring to provide in and through the institution an opportunity for men and women to secure training which will fit them to effectively serve the cause of God's Kingdom through the Mennonite Church. The institution is still young. Our hopes and objectives for it go far beyond its present attainments. Yet it has had a marked growth in its less than three years, made possible by the loyal and generous support of the Church. In this lies our confidence for the future.

Underlying this endeavor are two primary concerns. One that the school shall be scholastically strong and produce leaders who have a stable religious mentality, leavened by a knowledge and appreciation of the distinctive elements of our Mennonite faith and manner of life. We want a school which does not ignore or close its eyes to the challenges to faith which come from our modern world; but which does withal guide young men and women through the maze of currents and countercurrents to valid and abundant faith in the revelation and purpose of God in Jesus Christ.

Added to this, we want that the school shall imbue its students with a Christ-like passion to serve, that they come forth from its halls and fellowship eager to follow His leading, to say to one and all, "O taste and see that the Lord is good, blessed is the man that trusteth in Him."

R. L. Hartzler, Sec.

# AS THE PRESIDENT SEES IT

The Mennonite Biblical Seminary has experienced both sorrow and joy during the past year. Our sorrow was the passing of our beloved president, Dr. Warkentin. It was also the loss of the whole church as his influence



MENNONITE BIBLICAL SEMINARY in 4600 block Woodlawn Ave., Chicago. Solid line indicates property owned, broken line that which is rented.

extended far and wide. Our joy was the growth of the institution for which he labored and the sense of fellowship with God in a task of prime importance.

Three new staff members were introduced in the fall. They were Rev. Donovan E. Smucker, Instructor in Old Testament Theology, Rev. Marvin Dirks, Instructor in Voice, and Miss Katie Andres, Librarian. To promote the inner working of the school several committees were organized among the faculty to be responsible respectively for Library, Religious Life, Practical Work of Students, and Extention and Deputation Work. The complete list of staff and committee members will be found on page 18.

During the year additions to the housing facilities were secured by the purchase of a ten-room house adjacent to the headquarters building and a 66-room apartment house located in the same block. Unfortunately, due to rent and housing controls, it has been impossible yet to induce any of the former tenants to vacate rooms in the apartment house. However, it is proving a good investment and in due season will provide the room we need.

The financial condition of the Seminary has greatly improved during the past year. With the purchase of the new buildings property held by the Seminary reached a value of \$120,000. Indebtedness on this property has been reduced from something over \$50,000 to less than \$30,000. The Stirling Avenue Church of Kitchener, Ontario, gave the services of their pastor, Rev. Andrew Shelly, for one month during the past year and has promised two more months during the coming year. This time he has spent in traveling for the Seminary soliciting contributions for debt liquidation. While the financial returns of this effort are appreciated the opportunity to explain the work of the Seminary and the winning of friends has been a second result of equal importance.

There were four graduates in June, 1947. One

from the Bible School is now in college. Of the three seminary graduates, Arnold Regier, B.D., was called to the new Bible College in Winnipeg, LaVerne Rutschman, B. D., is on the mission field in Colombia, and Albert Jantzen, M.R.E., is now in preparation for returning to the China mission field.

Of the 19 students now enrolled two are inthe Bible School, five are special or part-timestudents, and the remaining 12 are regular graduate seminary students. Four districts of the General Conference are represented, seven: students being from the Western District, four from the Pacific, three from the Middle, and one from the Northern. Two more students come from missionary families and two come from outside the General Conference. Besides the seminary students there is a group of several others who live with the seminary family. These are Mennonite students attending other schools or universities in the city. The entirefamily, including faculty, students, their wives. children, and others, makes a group of fifty-

This report cannot be closed without expression of a deep sense of gratitude to God for His guidance and to the churches for their support. We pray that the Seminary may be more than an institution, rather a living fellowship where the Spirit of God may move.

S. F. Pannabecker, President

## MENONITE BIBLICAL SEMINARY

# Staff and Committees

S. F. Pannabecker, Dean and Acting President
Donovan E. Smucker, Instructor in O. T. Theology
Marvin J. Dirks, Instructor in Voice
John T. Neufeld, Business Manager
Edmund J. Miller, Field Secretary
Miss Katie Andres, Librarian
Mrs. Sylvia Pannabecker Matron
Library Committee: Miss Andres, Mr. Smucker
Religious Life Committee: Mr. Smucker, Mrs. Pannabecker

Student Pracitical Work: Mr. Neufeld, Mr. Dirks Extension and Deputation Work: Mr. Miller, Mr. Dirks

#### FOREIGN STUDENTS

Leo Laurense, Amsterdam, Holland Leo Beck, Amsterdam, Holland Grace Liu, China

## THE MUTUAL AID BOARD

This Board is now in its third year of operation as a conference agency. From the beginning of the Board's operation in April 6, 1946 to December 31, 1947, it has made a total of 59 loans to young men. In addition to loans made, counsel has been given, too, through correspondence and personal calling, to numerous individuals.

The loans have helped 27 men buy livestock and machinery, 11 to buy or remodel a home, 10 to continue their education, 4 to become established in business, 4 to purchase household furniture and 3 to purchase cars or trucks. A small number of men have been helped to find farms to rent and individuals have been assisted in finding job opportunities.

The Board expects to render services of a similar nature through the coming year and extend its job finding facilities as far as possible.

The Board of Mutual Aid, through and with the MCC Aid Section, plans also to lead out in the thinking and planning for resettlement and colonization efforts that may be desired and needed by members of the constituency.

The Board is not assuming responsibility for raising money to help finance the rehabilitation and transportation of European refugees as reported last year. This has been handled entirely by the Emergency Relief Board.

-J. Winfield Fretz, Ex. Sec.

# THE PEACE COMMITTEE

During the year 1947 the booklet THE POWER OF LOVE was completed and made available to our churches. This represents one specific venture into the vast area of possibilities in education for peace. We trust the churches Young Peoples groups, Retreats, and other organizations will make effective use of this booklet. Plans were laid for a Retreat which was to give specific emphasis to the peace principle, but we are unable to carry these plans to completion last summer; we look forward to such emphases this coming Retreat season.

There is probably no more effective witness to the peace principle than thru the avenue of service in the name of Christ. Together with the Young People's Union the Peace Committee sponsored the Voluntary Service Program last summer; some thirty young people were engaged in four different units of service during the summer months. During the war we served involuntarily, now it is our privilege to serve voluntarily.

For the year ahead we look toward peace education along several lines: thru supporting the MCC Peace Section Activities, which serve in the promotion of this principle at home as well as in other countries; thru coordinating the work of the General Conference Peace Com. with the peace com. of the district conferences; thru promoting peace education by institutes, retreats, and rallies of smaller groups of young people's organizations; thru getting information out periodically by means of Bulletin, which would also contain articles dealing with various phases of this way of life, and stimulating suggestions for groups eager to work in this great field. Jesus said: "Ye are the light of the world", and we believe that He included us in this saying.

#### THE PLACEMENT COMMITTEE

As the name of our Committee implies, our primary objective is to help churches without ministers and ministers without charges to get together. Your Committee aims to do merely the work of mediation. Through periodic surveys and by other means we aim to obtain and keep on file the names of such ministers who desire to make a change, and such churches which are without ministers.

Church Boards and such committees created by the congregation for the purpose of finding possible candidates for their church are invited to write to any member of the Placement Committee for suggestions and names of ministers who might be available and suitable for their particular need. Members of our Committee are glad to make contact with any minister suggested to determine whether or not he would be willing to consider a change or a call from a certain congregation.

Ministers, too, are invited to write to members of the Committee informing them that they would be willing to make a change or consider a call to another pastorate, stating the time when they would be available to accept a new charge.

The work of a church suffers as soon as it

is without a regular pastor. For that reason the vacancy should be filled just as soon as possible. To meet this need the placement Committee was created by our General Conference. In order to be of greatest service the Placement Committee solicits your cooperation and invites you to use it to meet your particular need.

P. K. Regier, Secretary

# GENERAL CONFERENCE LAYMEN'S ORGANIZATION

While Laymen of our General Conference have been meeting at the triennial sessions for a number of years, it was only at the last Session, held at Berne, Indiana in August, 1947, that a definite effort was made to organize into an auxiliary of the General Conference.

At the conclusion of the two Laymen's meetings held August 22nd and 25th, the following action was taken:

"A motion was adopted to create an interim committee to outline a men's organization including preparation of a proposed constitution, having as it's purpose:

A, to stimulate greater participation in the program of the church and furnish fellowship among men.

B, to serve as a clearing house for district and local congregation men's associations.

C. to furnish an opportunity of witnessing thru ministering.

D. to serve as counsellors for our youth.

E. to serve as a channel of expression of Mutual Aid."

It was recommended that men's organizations be formed in the local congregations and District conferences for similar purposes

Among the projects suggested for local congregations and District conferences were:

- 1. An Annual laymen's Sunday with laymen in charge of all Services.
  - 2. Bibles for American Bible Society.
- 3. Visit and encourage struggling congregations.
- 4. Establish mission outposts by lay people.
- 5. Assistance to young people in establishing themselves in a vocation.
  - 6. Assist in program of material relief.

The Interim Committee was instructed to apply to the General Conference at once, as an auxiliary organization.

The following were elected to the Interim

Committee and charged with the carrying out of the above:

Walter H. Temple, Chairman, 1124 North 18th Street, Allentown, Pa., Dr. J. S. Schultz, Bluffton College, Bluffton, Ohio, John E. Fretz, Secretary, 404 Tennis Avenue, North Hills, Pa.

Briefly, the committee above named, with assistance and council of friends and Conference officers, have made application to the General Conference as an auxiliary; launched a "Laymen's Bible Fund," contributions of over \$1000, having been received as this report is being prepared; arranged for material and space in *The Mennonite* for a "Laymen's Corner" and presented the above program of aims and purposes to our consituency. A considerable amount of prayerful study is being made of materials available on Laymen's work in other denominations, as a preliminary step in setting up our own organization.

It must be emphasized that it is not the purpose of the laymen to create just another organization. Rather it is an effort to present the whole work of our General Conference and it's Boards, to the constituency on the one hand, and on the other, to stimulate interest in this program on the part of both active and inactive lay members of our Conference Churches: for without active laymen, the Lord's work suffers.

It is significant to report that a great deal of interest has been manifest in our proposed Laymen's organization, from all sections of the country. The Eastern District Brotherhood which has been in existance since 1918, has endorsed it's aims and purposes, and more recently, the Middle District Conference have formed a local organization. As the work developes it will be presented in our Conference Publications. We humbly ask your prayers for Divine Guidance.

The Interim Committee, John E. Fretz, Secretary

# WOMEN'S MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION 1947

Since this was General Conference year the preparing of reports, and recommendations and revision of the constitution (the first in many years) received attention. The Visitation Program came to a successful close, for the most part, before the Conference. Ohio and Indiana, Oregon and Washington societies, as well as those in Oklahoma and many in Kansas were

visited during the spring and summer. Our President, Mrs. A. M. Lohrentz, represented General Conference women at the Home Missions Council meeting in Buckhill Falls, Pennsylvania in January and at the National Association of Evangelicals at Omaha in April, also at the annual meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Congo Inland Mission in October.

In our meeting with the Mennonite Women's Service Committee at Lake Shipshewanna it was decided to sponsor our migrant work in cooperation with the Voluntary Service Units of the Young People's Union.

Projects outlined for 1947 were completed, some more fully than others. The Vice-president, Mrs. W. C. Andreas, is now the project chairman.

Projects for 1948: For Africa, the Toews home-building fund, layettes and money for sewing materials on the field; the school in Colombia, and equipment for China are present needs. From India new projects will be coming in Spring. Funds for U. S. Indian and other Memorial Loan Fund for worthy students preparing for mission work.

The aim of the district advisors as expressed by their chairman, Mrs. A. J. Richert is to keep in closer touch with the societies and the other advisors, follow a definite plan and make their reports more uniform. The statistical report prepared by Mrs. Richert is given separately.

# LITERATURE COMMITTEE

The Chairman of the Literature Committee, Mrs. A. E. Kreider, writes:

The Literature Committee hopes to serve in the same capacity as here-to-fore: To provide such literature as will create missionary interest; to aid in providing material for missionary programs; to publish new material for use in missionary societies.

The two new members of the committee are Elma Sprunger of Berne, India and Elva Schrock of Nappanee, Indiana. A committee meeting was held at Goshen in December.

At this meeting arrangements were made to plan a World Day of Prayer service which is adaptable for our women. This program was

#### CONTRIBUTIONS OF MISSIONARY SOCIETIES BY DISTRICTS—1947

	Eastern	Northern	Middle	Western		Central	Total
No. of Societies		33	19	85-90		22	219
No. of Members	806	562	1448	2250	757	650	6473
No. of Books in Memorial							
Library	. 8	. 19	7	45	157		236
Estimate lbs. sent to							
Mission Stations	703	300	3237	1377	720	\$409.60	6337
No. of Soc. contri. Pension							
Fund	. 18	7	14	45	16		100
No. of Soc. contr. Migrant							
Fund	. 1	4	5	12	5		36
No. lbs. of S. S. Supplies							
sent to Home Missions	20		20	395			435
No.No. lbs. Clothing for							
European Relief	14286	13572	7455	21147	10049 9	85515.35	66509
Total Amount money contributed	\$5785.83	<b>\$16,345.88 \$8</b>	,050.11 \$3	4,100.00 \$10	,252.68 \$4	,472.58 \$79	,007.08

On canning contributions it is impossible to present a complete report this year.

# CONTRIBUTIONS OF MISSIONARY SOCIETIES, JULY 1, 1946 To JUNE 30, 1947 Sent to the Treasurer of the Women's Missionary Association Financial—totals for all purposes

Canadian contributions are sent to Mr. D. W. Friesen, Altona, Manitoba, Canada. Total receipts reported, 10 months, \$4,097.46.

set up by Elva Schrock and was published in the January Missionary News and Notes.

Work is also being done on a handbook to be used in the study of China, the field chosen for study in '48 and '49. This also will keep in mind the needs and interests of our own church women.

Since all materials are stored at the Newton headquarters, we urge that all materials be ordered from the office secretary, Miss Eleanor Camp, 722 Main, Newton, Kansas.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. W. C. Voth, Secretary

## YOUNG PEOPLE'S UNION

After the General Conference and the Youth Retreat at beautiful Camp Mack, the executive committee started its new term of YPU with enthusiasm and humility. Committee meetings are held each quarter to make further plans for the broadening work of our youth. With the Peace Committee the YPU is again making plans for General Conference Voluntary Service opportunities this coming summer. It is our hope that during this year a real calendar for 1949, which will be attractive and will present the entire work of the conference for our youth, may be prepared. An advisory committee is being appointed to aid Esko Loewen, editor, in making the "Youth Section" in the Mennonite more adaptable to high school young people. Definite action has been taken to provide and to send material on military conscription to all of our churches with the hope of encouraging forums, panels, and serious thought among our youth on this very vital problem. Our annual council meeting will be held in Chicago, February 13-15. Our budget totals \$3200 for this year, distributed thus: \$1200, Missionary Education Fund; \$1000, Mission Project; \$1000, YPU Fund, including "Youth Section", etc. We are looking ahead!

> Respectfully submitted, Myrtle Wasser Sec-treas.

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We join the Psalmist in saying "I will bless Thee, O Lord, with my whole heart; I will show forth all thy marvelous works; I will be glad and rejoice in thee; I will sing praise to Thy name, O Thou, most high." Psalm 9: 1-2. Bethel College has much reason to praise the Lord for His guidance and manifold blessings.

Young people are crowding the halls and classrooms of schools the country over in search for truth and training to develop skills. That is true at Bethel College. Present enrollment (winter quarter 1947-48 school year) stands at 561, of which 453 are regular credit students. The senior class numbers sixty-two, the largest in the school's history.

Last year (1946-47) the student body came from twenty-five states and seven foreign countries. There were forty foreign students. twenty-seven of them from five provinces of Canada. Seventy-one per cent of the total enrollment came from Kansas. In the total student body there were twenty-six denominations represented. The General Conference of Mennonites made up seventy-six per cent. A total of seventy-nine Mennonite congregations representing five branches of the Mennonite Church located in sixteen different states and five provinces in Canada were represented in the student body. The parents of students pursue fifty-seven different occupations. Of these the vocation of farming ranks highest with forty-nine per cent. Eighty-three C.P.S. men, seventy-four G.I. veterans, and seventytwo married students were among those enrolled the previous year. Students indicated an interest in forty-nine different types of life work: fourteen designated nursing as their preference; twenty, social work: twenty-six engineering; twenty-eight, farming; thirty-two, medicine; thirty-four, the ministry and missions; eighty-four, teaching. The constantly growing interest in fulltime Christian service is very encouraging in the face of the tremendous opportunity awaiting the churches. Ministerial students take an active part in serving congregations in Kansas and neighboring states.

Christian Life Week is observed regularly during the fall of the year for students and faculty. This fall Rev. Donovan E. Smucker of Mennonite Biblical Seminary and Bible School was the speaker. Bible Week is annually observed, and will be held from March 15



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through 19. Outstanding lecturers are secured, and the public is always invited. Many take advantage of such opportunities to become spiritually enriched.

With the completion of the Franz General Shop, agricultural and shop interests among students can be given more consideration. Rural folk are much interested in learning new skills and techniques to put to use in tilling God's acres

The Health Center when completed will provide much needed facilities for promotion and maintenance of student health. Much interest is being shown in this program.

A great deal of interest in being shown in the proposed new library building. Contributions for this project are already being received, with many more needed. A stimulating environment, adequate equipment, study and reading space, research rooms, and adequate storage for the thousands of volumes needed in a good library are a part of the plans being studied. The Board of Directors have voted to begin the library building program. The year 1948 is the Sixtieth Anniversary year for Bethel College, and it would be historically significant to lay the library cornerstone during this year.

Many have through the years given definite evidence of their confidence and faith in Bethel's Mission. Our prayer is that God may use her mightily as a Spiritual leaven in the building of His Kingdom.

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Becker, Miss Honora E., English Beecher, Miss Mildred, Physical Education Bixel, Mr. James A., Piano Doell, Dr. Jacob H., Biology Ewy, Mr. Daniel J., Mathematics Fast, Dr. Henry A., Bible Fretz, Dr. J. Winfield, Sociology Friesen, Mr. William, Agriculture Gerber, Mr. Vilas, Music Goering, Mr. Erwin C., Public Relations Graber, Mr. Eldon, English, Education Harms, Mr. Ernest L., Financial Solicitor Harder, Mr. Menno S., History, Government Harshberger, Mrs. Eva G., Home Economics Hohmann, Miss Gertrude, Voice Hohmann, Dr. Walter H., Music Kaufman, President Ed. G., Christian Education Kaufman, Mr. P. R., Industrial Arts Kauffman, Dr. Ralph C., Psychology Krahn, Dr. Cornelius, Church History Krehbiel, Miss Leona, Librarian Kreider, Dr. Leonard C., Chemistry Martens, Mr. Harry, Acting Business Manager Moyer, Mr. John F., Assistant Treasurer Rich, Mr. Willis E., Public Relations Richert, Dr. David H., Emeritus Professor of Mathematics and Astronomy Ruth, Miss Marjorie, Elementary Education Schmidt, Rev. John F., Mennonite History, Research Schmidt, Mr. Paul, Comptroller, Office Manager Spaulding, Mr. J. Lloyd, Economics Stucky, Mr. N. Paul, Physics Suderman, Dr. David H., Music Toews, Miss Wilma, Home Economics Tully, Mr. Robert W., Physical Education Voth, Mr. J. J., Supt., of Bldgs. and Grounds Waltner, Miss Ellen, Speech, Dramatics, English Waltner, Miss Lena, Art Wedel, Dean David C., Bible, Christian Education

#### BLUFFTON COLLEGE REPORT

Wedel, Dr. P. J., (Emeritus Professor) Chemistry

Considerable progress has been made at Bluffton College during the past year. For the first time in the history of the institution, the enrollment has reached three hundred. This is a goal toward which the college has looked for many years. It is felt that this is really the capacity of the institution. From this point growth should be in quality rather than in size. As might be expected, there are many different life ambitions represented in this student body. However, forty of the students plan to enter full time Christian service as a life's calling.

Material progress has also been made. There has been considerable work done in the way of building improvement. Extensive painting has been done in the science building, two new offices have been constructed in it, and a snack shop opened. New furniture and equipment has been installed in the foods laboratory, which involved new unit kitchens.



Bluffton College Bluffton Ohio

New furniture has been installed in the Ropp Hall dormitory, all beds, dressers, and chairs having been replaced. Art rooms in College Hall have been completely redecorated. Fluorescent lights have been installed in practically all classrooms.

Progress has also been made in the building fund which is being created for the construction of a new Auditorium-Physical Education Building. By January 1, 1948, the fund had passed the \$126,000.00 mark. Of this amount \$103,000.00 is in cash. The goal for the campaign is \$250,000.00.

Financially, one of the chief tasks for the coming year is continued effort toward the Building Fund. Solicitation will continue throughout the year. In addition it is necessary to maintain a high level of giving for the current fund. With rapidly rising living costs it is hard to make income keep step with expenditures. One of the necessary steps in this direction is to maintain and increase the Friendship Group which is composed of more than two hundred friends of the college giving \$25.00 annually for current expenses.

Concrete plans are being made for the remodeling of College Hall during the current years. These plans include fire escapes from the upper two floors, construction of a fire proof vault on the ground level, moving of the offices from the second floor to the first floor adjacent to this new vault, and changing the present office space into classroom space. Some funds are on hand for these changes, but additional sources of income will likely be necessary.

From the standpoint of curriculum, the faculty is at work reorganizing the program of studies for general education. Included in this general program will be the subject matter

content which it is felt that all students should have in addition to their specialization. This study is in line with one of a few years ago on making the curriculum more God centered. The present study is to implement the findings of the former one. Also in the academic area, some new personnel must be secured. This is difficult at the salary scale which seems possible. We must either have many more people willing to give liberally to the college so that salaries may be adequate, or we must have more prospective teachers willing to make great sacrifices to teach in our schools, considering such a life as a missionary enterprise.

A new feature will likely be started next year with reference to the religious emphasis. For some time a fund has been accumulating, known as the Memorial Fund. This consists largely of gifts given in memory of departed friends in lieu of floral offerings, although some gifts are given as other types of memorials. This fund is now to be used as an endowment, the income from which is to finance an annual missions program on the campus, lasting a few days or a week.

Some of the outstanding dates during this calendar year are:

May 28 Booster Concert
May 29-31 Commencement activities
October 9 Homecoming
November 14-19 Bible Lectures
November 17,18 Ministers Conference

# BLUFFTON COLLEGE FACULTY ROSTER

Lloyd L. Ramseyer, President Jacob S. Schultz, Dean and Teacher Education N. E. Byers, Dean Emeritus C. Henry Smith, Emeritus Professor of History Herbert W. Berky, Chemistry Otto Holtkamp, Music Naomi Brenneman, Literature M'Della Moon, Biological Science Andrew C. Burcky, Physical Education Irwin W. Bauman, Sociology Russell A. Lantz, Music John P. Klassen, Art Katherine T. Moyer, French Ray S. Hilty, Registrar and Commerce Edna Ramseyer, Home Economics Paul R. Shelly, Bible Lenore M. Myers, Library W. Brooke Morgan, Mathematics and Physics Justus Holsinger, History Dora Soldner, German Howard Raid, Economics and Business Carl M. Lehman, Business Manager

Harry Yoder, Assistant to the President Metta Dean, Dietitian

#### Part Time

S. T. Moyer, Bible
Sidney Hauenstein, Music
Pearl B. Mann, Music
William Burbick, Speech
Carl F. Smucker, Social Science
Frank J. Batterson, Spanish
E. J. Bohn, Philosophy
Ferne Ramseyer, Mathematics
Theola Steiner, Physical Education
Elma Louise Ater, Music
Dwight Spayth, Engineering Drawing

#### Foreign Students

Carmen Berrios, Barranquitas, Puerto Rico
Mijuil Ramirez Santurce, Puerto Rico
Angel Gutierrez, Coyey, Puerto Rico
Iris Melecio, Vega Alta, Puerto Rico
John Siemens, Altona, Canada
Jacob Driedger, Leamington, Ontario
Annette Grollimund, Mulhouse, France
Magrita Freie, Amsterdam, Holland
Nolst Trenite, Rotterdam, Holland
Gutavo Tron, Pierolo, Italy



# CANADIAN MENNONITE BIBLE COLLEGE

The Canadian Mennonite Bible College opened its doors at the Bethel Mission Church, 103 Furby St., Winnipeg, Manitoba, on October 5, 1947. The establishment of this greatly needed school was finally realized after several years of planning and deliberation on the part of the Canadian Conference of Mennonites. It is a child born out of great vision and many prayers on the part of the Conference leaders.

The chief purpose of the College is to give Canadian youth an opportunity to prepare itself for Christian service. Many have attended provincial universities and coleges in the United States but this has not proved quite satisfactory. Often they have been drawn away from the churches and have not received a vision which would give them a good understanding as to the needs of our Canadian Mennonites. There also was manifested a desire on the part of the young people for a fuller study of the Bible and related subjects on college level. These and other factors were influencial in the opening of this College in Canada.

It required much deliberation and study for the College Committee to agree on a suitable location for the College. Since it was deemed necessary to be centrally located and easily accessible to all provinces of Canada, it was finally decided upon to locate at Winnipeg, Manitoba. Winnipeg is a rail center, easily reached from all Mennonite communities in Canada and the States. It has a population of approximately 350,000. There are seven Mennonite churches in the city representing the General Conference, Mennonite Brethren, and Evangelical Mennonite Brethren. Several smaller groups of the Rudnerweide and Summerfeld Communities also meet in the outskirts of the city.

The Bible College was not able to find a suitable place for its beginning until the Bethel Mission Church offered to make its church building available for a temporary home until the Committee could find another site for the school. Its hospitality has been appreciated by the College Administration. Its facilities have proven quite adequate in that it formerly was a Bible School. After some alterations it offered a very welcome and beautiful home for the College. The students and visiting instructors have greatly enjoyed the fellowship of the church members. An additional building was purchased nearby on 146 Furby Street which serves as a student home.

An enrollment of twenty-six students took place during the first term. A number of additional students from the city are taking advantage of evening classes which are held twice a week. During the winter term from January 5 to March 25, a special course for ministers, choir leaders, and Sunday school workers is being offered by the College in which seven new students have enrolled. Others are expected to participate during the term.

The devotional life of the students is an

important phase of college life. Daily home devotions are held in the various dormitories. Daily morning chapel periods and prayers preceeding the class discussions help the spiritual life of all. The students also have a prayer meeting every Saturday evening. Often this is also a night for a social gettogether, where students and faculty learn to know each other better.

The students are active in various types of deputation work and other forms of Christian service, A Sunday school has been started in another part of the city by some of the students. Hospitals have been visited. Churches in other towns have been served. By these means the students hope not only to be enriched themselves but also prove to be a blessing to those they humbly try to serve. In seeing the need for devoted Christian workers everywhere, these young people are spurred on to give their lives more fully to Christ and His cause.

Arnold J. Regier President



FREEMAN JUNIOR COLLEGE

Thanks be to God for his guidance and help during this year. Believing that Christian Education is of prime importance in spreading the kingdom of God we know that with divine blessings from above our labors have not been in vain.

#### Students

Enrollment: The enrollment this year is 177. Thirty-four per cent are enrolled in the college and 66 per cent in the Academy Department. Although most of them come from South Dakota there are students who come from Minnesota, Colorado, Montana, North Dakota,

Nebraska, and Kansas. Our two foreign students come from Paraguay and France.

Religious Attiliation: Ninty-three per cent of the students are Mennonites, of this group 83 per cent belong to General Conference Churches; 9 per cent to Mennonite Brethren churches; 4 per cent to Evangelical Mennonite Brethren churches; and 4 per cent to Krimmer Mennonite Brethren churches.

Among the non-Mennonite students there are Lutherans, Baptists, Reform, and Hutterian.

Age and Sex: In the College 56 per cent of the students are men and 44 per cent are women, while in the Academy the distribution is more even. Fifty-one per cent are boys and 49 per cent are girls.

The average age and age range by classes is as follows:

CLASS		Range	Average
Academy	Freshmen	13-24	14 plus
	Sophmores	13-20	151/2
	Juniors	15-20	16
	Seniors	15-18	17
College	Freshmen	16-24	19 plus
	Sophomores	18-47	22

# Curriculm and School Activities

Curriculum: Courses are continually revised and adapted to school and community needs. In the Academy the regular state required High School course is offered. It is supplemented by Bible and Mennonite History courses and by Home Economics, Shop and Mechanics courses. In the College a two year Junior College Course; a one and two year Teacher training course; a Bible Course; and one and two year courses in Vocational Subjects are offered. School Activities: School activities are varied and numerous according to the needs and interests of the students. Chapel services are held daily. Much inspiration comes to these services from messages by visiting ministers and missionaries and by groups who render musical programs. The Annual Bible Week is of great value to students and faculty. Regular prayer meetings are held. Once a week the Christian Youth Volunteers meet. The Y.W. and Y.M.C.A. groups also meet each week. Recently a group of Ministerial students have organized and they meet for inspiration and for practical experience.

Under the direction of the music department are the College Choir and the Academy chorus. These groups alternate in making extended tours to Mennonite churches. An orchestra and a band recently organized have made good progress.

Forensics and dramatics are under the direction of the speech department. Debate, oratory, and declamatory work is carried on, espeially in the Academy. Two plays a year are given, one by the Academy and one by the College. A full time athletics program is carried out by the physical education department.

Community Services: The school continues in its efforts to be of service to the community. Religious programs are given by the Christian Youth Volunteers and by faculty members in the churches of this area. Music day, held annually on Easter Monday, brings together the musical talent of the entire community. Community lectures and programs of high quality are sponsored. The gymnasium serves as a meeting place for community affairs. The Chapel is still being used as a church home by a local congregation. The Bookstore continues its serves to Sunday school and church workers. The museum is steadily growing and is an asset to the community.

# Recent Achievements and Plans for the Future

Much recent effort has gone into improving present facilities, repair work, and adding new equipment. A fine example of this is the work done in the Foods Room which was completely renovated and is now all electric with Westinghouse ranges and refrigerator, adequate sinks and steel cabinets.

A boy's dormitory with additional room for two four room apartments for faculty families is nearing completion. Ground has been broken for the new gymnasium-auditorium and that building will soon be under construction.

Change in Presidents: This coming June the resignation of Dr. J. D. Unruh goes into effect and Rev. Edmund Miller takes over the presidency. Dr. Unruh's untiring and faithful direction and stewardship has placed the school on a sound debt free financial basis and has steadily raised the academic standing of the school during his 15 years of service as president. To Rev. Miller who comes to us with high qualifications and with a rich back-

ground of experience we extend a welcome and sincere prayer that God may bless him and his work here at Freeman.

#### List of Faculty Members 1947-1948

Dr. J. D. Unruh, President
Dr. Harold Gross, Dean of College, Psychology
Benjamin P. Waltner, Registrar, Agriculture
Edwin, P. Graber, Principal of Academy, Economics
Kathryn Kaufman, Speech and English
Ernest H. Lichti, Music
Louis Linscheid, Manual Arts
Dankel Neufeld, Physical Education
Elva Ratzlaff, Home Economics
Marie Waldner, Library
Gerhard Toews, Mechanical Arts
Marilyn Preheim, Chemistry
Mrs. Oscar Gering, Piano
Orlando Goering, Bible
Benno Toews, Normal Training

#### Foreign Students

Jakob Friesen, Fernheim, Paraguay Ernest Hege, Poste Wisemburg, France

# GENERAL CONFERENCE

#### HOSPITALS

Bethel Deaconess Hospital, Newton, Kansas Administrator: H. J. Andres, 412 S. E. Second, Newton, Kansas

President of the Board: Rev. J. E. Entz, R. F. D. 3, Newton, Kansas

Secretary of the Board: Rev. H. J. Dyck, Route 3, Newton, Kansas

Capacity (including bassinets): 100 beds

Bethel Hospital, Mountain Lake, Minnesota

Superintendent: Miss Elfriede Regier, R. N. Mountain, Lake, Minnesota

President of the Board: Peter F. Stoesz, Butterfield,
Minnesota

Secretary of the Board: Frank Rempel, Mountain

Capacity (including bassinets): 29 beds

Concordia Hospital, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada Superintendent: Frieda Unruh

President of the Board: Rev. J. J. Schulz

Lake, Minnesota

Secretary of the Board: H. J. Willms

Capacity (including bassinets): 50 beds

Mennonite Bethesda Hospital, Goessel, Kansas

Superintendent: Margaret Reimer, R.N., Goessel, Kansas President of the Board: Rev. H. B. Schmidt, Route 2, Newton, Kansas

Secretary of the Board: Mr. I. B. Fast, Route 2, Newton, Kansas

Capacity (including bassinets): 25 beds

Mennonite Deaconess Hospital, Beatrice, Nebraska Superintendent: Richard C. Wiebe, 1111 North 11th Street, Beatrice, Nebraska

President of the Board: John Thimm, Rt. 1, Beatrice, Nebraska

Secretary of the Board: L. H. Esau, Route 3, Beatrice, Nebraska

Capacity (including bassinets): 42 beds

#### Salem Deaconess Hospital, Salem, Oregon

Superintendent: Frank F. Wedel, Route 4, Box 356, Salem, Oregon

President of the Board: A. C. Haag, Route 3, Box 670, Salem, Oregon

Secretary of the Board: F. K. Bowers, 595 N. 15th St., Salem, Oregon

Capacity (including bassinets): 128 beds

#### HOMES FOR AGED, INVALIDS & CONVALESCENTS:

#### Alten-und Invalidenheim Bethania, Parkdale, Manitoba, Canada

Superintendent: Maria Vogt

President of the Board: Rev. H. H. Schulz Secretary of the Board: H. J. Willms

Capacity: 60 beds

#### Bethel Home for Aged, Mountain Lake, Minnesota

Superintendent: Elfriede Regier, R.N., Mountain Lake, Minnesota

President of the Board: Peter F. Stoesz, Butterfield, Minnesota

Secretary of the Board; Frank Rempel, Mountain Lake, Minnesota

Capacity: 22 beds

#### Bethel Home for Aged, Newton, Kansas

Administrator: H: J. Andres, 412 S. E. Second, Newton, Kansas.

President of the Board: Rev. J. E. Entz, Route 3, Newton, Kansas.

Secretary of the Board: Rev. H. J. Dyck, Route 3. Newton, Kansas

Capacity: 35 beds

# Bethesda Home for Aged, Goessel, Kansas

Superintendent, Sister Margaret Richert, Goessel, Kansas

President of the Board: Rev. H. B. Schimdt, Route 2, Newton, Kansas

Secretary of the Board: I. B. Fast, Route 2, Newton, Kansas

Capacity: 26 beds

# Deaconess Cottage Home, Salem, Oregon

Superintendent: Frank F. Wedel, Route 4, Box 356, Salem, Oregon

President of the Board: A. C. Haag, Route 3, Box 670, Salem, Oregon

Secretary of the Board: F. K. Bowers, 595 N. 15th Street, Salem, Oregon

Capacity: 38 beds

# Home for Aged, Inman, Kansas

President of the Board: P. T. Franz, Inman, Kansas Secretary of the Board: Rev. P. T. Neufeld, Inman, Kansas

Inside work and General Care: Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Wiens, Inman, Kansas

Capacity: 15 beda

## Invalid Home of the Mennonite Youth Society, Rosthern, Sask., Canada

Superintendent: Rev. J. C. Schmidt
President of the Board: Rev. J. C. Schmidt
Secretary of the Board: Rev. John G. Rempel
Capacity: 14 beds

Rosenort Home for Aged, Rosthern, Sask., Canada Superintendent: Susie Lehn, Rosthern, Sask, Canada President of the Board: Peter F. Stobbe

Secretary of the Board: Peter A. Epp Capacity: 10 beds

# THE MENNONITE CENTRAL COMMITTEE IN 1947

During 1947 the Mennonite churches have extended the work of bringing aid to those who are in need. There has been a great opportunity for an outreach into new areas to be served and of developing further the work in the areas already served. We rejoice that there has been a steady flow of voluntary workers ready and willing to give their services "In the Name of Christ" and also a continuing willingness on the part of our people to give in cash and kind for the support of the work. As in former years the various groups in the Mennonite family have unitedly responded to the call to work through this common agency.

This work has been carried on in the following eighteen foreign countries: Poland, Hungary, Austria, Switzerland, Italy, Denmark, Belgium, Germany, France, Holland, the Philippines, Java, India, China, Ethiopia, Puerto Rico, Brazil, and Paraguay. The nature and type of service has included food and clothing distribution, refugee welfare and resettlement. agricultural rehabilitation, child welfare, hospital and medical service, loan projects, transportation, building and reconstruction, and many other services. It will be noted that since the previous year, the work in England has been closed and projects have been opened in a number of other countries. Three workers entered Hungary in 1947 to open a program of food and clothing distribution. Four workers were sent to Brazil for a spiritual ministry among the Mennonites in that country. William Yoder has been in Java since his initial contact work in that country in the spring of this year and will open an MCC work as soon as conditions permit. With the moving of the European Center to Basel, Switzerland, a number of persons are located in that country. As of December 31, 1947, there were 288 workers



located in MCC relief units abroad. During the year contributions for relief purposes have totaled \$936,786.33 in cash and \$2,136,153.59 worth of materials in kind, making a grand total of over three million dollars.

One of the areas of work which expanded most significantly is that of aid to Mennonite refugees in Europe. During the year it has been possible to assist in the migration of a number of these refugees.

Although the needs abroad have been a primary concern of the Mennonite Central Committee, the needs next to our own doors have been overlooked. Voluntary Service workers have served in projects of community welfare, sanitation, mental hospital service, religious instruction, and other activities. The work of peace teaching, counselling, education, and promotion among our people and among the Mennonites in other countries has been the interest of the Peace Section. A new concern is also growing, namely, that of church sponsored mental institutions.

Contributions from the Mennonite constituent groups to the various aspects of the MCC program have continued as in the previous year. The termination of CPS permitted the various church groups to apply their resources in rather large amounts for relief, migration, and other purposes.

# A SURVEY OF THE MCC PROGRAM Relief Section

Europe-Relief in Germany has eclipsed other parts of our program in total tonnage shipped and also in the number of workers on the field. Forty-three workers are responsible for the distribution of 4,538 tons of food, clothing, and other supplies in Germany. All shipments continue to be made through CRA-LOG channels, although this organization has recently received very little of our material for our distribution. We are still allocating small amounts of food and clothing to Evangelisches Hilfswerk, the Protestant relief organization, Christenpflicht, a German Mennonite relief organization in the American Zone, has been given food to carry on feeding programs in five different cities. Hilfswerk der Vereinigung Deutscher Mennoniten, the relief organization of the palatinate Mennonites, has received MCC food which was distributed in eight cities. MCC workers have administered child feeding programs in many of the large cities of the British and French zones. These cities include Kiel, Ludwigshafen, Lubeck, Krefeld, and Kaiserslautern, and Gronau. In the month of June our workers supplied MCC food to 80,000 people in Germany. These included children, old people, prisoners of war, convalescents, disabled, and refugees.

To Austria there have been shipments of 578 tons of food and clothing during the past year. For the most part distributions have been made to convalescents who are certified by examining physicians. Food is distributed according to the nature of the illness. The hospital program has reached 2,000 persons per week in addition to small amounts given to old and sick displaced persons and assitance to work camps.

In Hungary the work was opened in May by three workers. Food and clothing in the distribution in the past year. Child feeding prodistributin in the past year. Child feeding programs have been carried on in a number of cities in cooperation with certain institutions, church conferences, family units, and feeding stations. Budapest is used as the center of activities with food and clothing contributed to an old teacher's home, an orphanage for Italian boys, a home for parolled boys, a girls' home, a home for blind, summer camps, and supplementary rations for university students.

The unit in Poland is located in a 420-acre farm with adequate housing facilities which was made available by the Polish government. In addition to clothing distributions which included 111 tons during the year, a program of agricultural rehabilitation was envisaged. Consequently, a 25-man tractor training unit was sponsored with the first men leaving this country in February.

The work in Italy saw a transition early in 1947 from refugee assistance in UNRRA camps to assistance of the needy in the socalled Waldensian valleys in northern Italy. Forty-three tons of food and clothing were made available for distribution during the year. In addition to work among the refugees, UNRRA camps, and material aid distribution, effort has been made to set up a nurses' training program. The delay is due in part to the difficulties involved in securing approval from the government for a nurses' training school in a Waldensian hospital that lacks the specified bed capacity. Plans are underway to arrange for several Italian nurses to come to the United States and affiliate with our Mennonite hospitals in order to learn nursing techniques that will improve nursing standards in Italy.

The people in Holland have made excellent progress in post-war recovery. As a result very little material aid distribution was undertaken last year. Approximately fifty-four tons of clothing was distributed, but this was given for the most part to orphans and special needy individuals and refugees at Roverstein. Heerewegen is the new children's home we are operating in Holland. Energy is being concentrated on long-range programs such as the Amsterdam Center and the children's home. Activities covered by "The Center" include a student hospital, Menno Travel Service, and MCC student exchange. The Walcheran Builders' Unit has been completely transferred with the Mennonites of Walcheran.

In Belgium the activities are focussed on the building program which began in April. The Builders' Unit is located at Bullange and is patterned after the similar units in Holland and France. Because of the greater need in other areas of Europe, only eight tons of food and clothing were shipped to Belgium in the past year. Work in Belgium also included services to the prisoners of war and their families. Most of the relief activities in Belgium are under the sponsorship of the Mennonite Relief Committee.

In France the major project continues to be the children's colonies. During the year the homes of Vair and Vescours were closed. We have assumed full responsibility for the Weiler children's colony and after repeated requests are continuing to operate Lavercantiere. The headquarters at Chalon-sur Saone has been closed and a new center combining the relief offices and facilities for a children's home is being opened at Nancy. The general trend is to concentrate our efforts in an area which will serve and stimulate our French Mennonite Brethren. Approximately twenty-one tons of food and clothing were shipped into France last year making possible a five-month distribution of clothing within a radius of 125 miles from Chalon where 491 bales were distributed to 10,000 needy persons. A food-packaging program at St. Die is providing two four-pound packages to 4,000 old people. The Wissembourg Builders' Unit is continuing construction and repair activities which included repair of the Mennonite Church at Giesburg.

The major concern in Denmark has been the Prussian Mennonite refugees. Material aid distributions consisted of clothing and Christmas Goodwill Bundles. Activity was centered in clearing as many of the refugees as possible for migration. During the year, many of the Mennonite refugees were transferred to Germany. A spiritual ministry was provided in the persons of H. H. Janzen, J. J. Wichert, P. S. Goertz, and H. S. Bender.

Arnold Boecklinstrasse II, Basel, Switzerland, continues to be the headquarters office for our European relief activities. Atlee Beachy serves as European director. There are six MCC workers here. The Basel Center, like the Amsterdam Center, will serve as liaison for European Mennonite activities.

Middle East—The program in Ethiopia is composed of two phases—healing and teaching. A small clinic and hospital has been established at Nazareth. This clinic serves approximately 95 persons per day. The hospital has averaged a daily census of thirty patients. As the result of a malaria control program, 3,347 houses in the city of Nazareth were sprayed with DDT. A small shipment of three tons of clothing was made to this unit during the year. The teaching program includes a fully accredited primary dressers' course under the direction of

Dorsa Mishler. Recently a class of seventeen completed this course and are now certified as hospital workers. Supervised recreation is provided for the boy employees and needlework classes for the girl employees.

FAR EAST-In China the work might be characterized as rehabilitation. A total of 166 tons of food and clothing has been sent into the area for general distribution. Milk, to the extent of 4,500 servings per month was made available to the needy in Kaifeng. Rehabilitation is encouraged by wheat and cotton loans. Two hundred tons of seed wheat was distributed. In addition, 40,000 vards of cotton cloth and 15,000 pounds of woolen yarn was made available through Chinese sources. The medical program has included service in seven hospitals and clinics. Frequent military conflict has made it difficult to maintain these. An extensive UNRRA tractor program was given assistance by four of our men serving as field men and mechanics. This included thirty-eight tractors, machinery, tools and other supplies.

The partitioning of India has made it necessary for us to change from a program of service in cooperation with Mennonite missions to one of emergency relief. An estimated 70,000,000 minority people were created as a result of the partition. Of these between six and eight million have become refugees as they fled from their homes. Refugee camps have been established to care for those in need of assistance. In these camps our workers together with other workers of relief and mission groups are distributing food and clothing and are giving medical assistance. One clinic reports an average of 1,000 patients per day over a 22-day period. Services include cholera injections, treatment of night wounds, accident and miscellaneous illnesses. During the past year, fortyone tons of food and clothing have been shipped to India with two carloads of cereal en route now.

In the Philippine Islands we have maintained a hospital at Vigan and headquarters at Bangued. In October the hospital was moved to Bangued, thus consolidating our facilities. Only three tons of clothing have been sent to the Philippines this year, but this together with early shipments have made it possible to distribute clothing to 5,000 persons in Abra Province, which is one person out of seven in the area. A total of 1,600 pupils in seven

schools are receiving daily rations of milk as a result of our program. Emergency assistance in the form of shelter and milk was given to 150 victims of a recent typhoon.

The relief program earlier planned for Java has not yet begun due to the political situation in the Dutch East Indies. William Yoder is in Batavia standing by and planning for relief activities just as soon as conditions are favorable. The group of five workers sent out for Java this summer are rendering valuable service in India. We have a shipment of food stencilled and ready to go just as soon as there is an opportunity to begin relief activities.

LATIN AMERICA-The program in Paraguay continues to serve both the Mennonites and Paraguayans with increased emphasis placed upon the refugee and his problems. An experimental farm in Fernheim with at least twenty-one acres fenced is making an increasing significant contribution to the colonies in the way of agricultural guidance. Although the need for teachers from North America has eased, we still have four teachers who are continuing their services in the Chaco. A hospital and laboratory in Fernheim is serving approximately 6,000 Mennonites within a 22-mile radius. The telephone equipment actually arrived in the Chaco in March and the line is nearing completion. Twelve tons of clothing were shipped during the year. Work with the Paraguayans has included a hookworm project and a child feeding program. The civil war which started in March caused considerable disruption and some hardships until it was terminated. The Asuncion office with its workers is extending its services to young people's groups in the cities in supplying recreational and religious activities.

The services in Puerto Rico continue much the same as in previous years and are mostly along the line of rehabilitation and include a hospital and laboratory, clinic, dental service, medical social work, community recreation, public school nursing, sewing and needlework, public health and sanitation, and agricultural experimentation. During the past year, the Mennonite Board of Missions and Charities supplied a pastor for the La Plata Valley Area. Arrangements have been made for the Mission Board to purchase the PRRA property now occupied by the unit. Noteworthy is the fact that the Mennonite Central Committee and the Mennonite Board of Missions and

Charities have been granted a tax exempt status on the island. A personal turnover during 1947 was twenty-three workers leaving and seventeen replacements.

Four workers were sent to Brazil by the MCC during the year. These people are serving in both a preaching and teaching ministry among the Mennonites of Brazil.

# DISTRIBUTION OF WORKERS ACCORDING TO AREA

LATIN AMERICA	_	65
Paraguay	_27	
Brazil	_ 4	
Puerto Rico	_34	
MIDDLE EAST		12
Ethiopia		
FAR EAST		74
China	_40	
India		
Java		
Philippines		
EUROPE		137
Holland		
Holland Builders' Unit	_ 3	
France	_12	
France Builders' Unit		
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Belgium Builders' Unit		
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Total Number MCC workers		288
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# DISTRIBUTION OF WORKERS ACCORDING TO AFFILIATION—

- 149 Mennonite
  - 64 General Conference
    - 6 Central Conference
  - 24 Mennonite Brethren
  - 1 Mennonite Brethren in Christ
  - 4 Evangelical Mennonite Brethren
  - 1 Doopsgezinde
  - 3 Conservative Amish
  - 7 Old Order Amish
  - 3 Church of God in Christ
  - 1 Kirchliche Gemeinde
  - 10 Brethren in Christ

- 2 Dunkard Brethren
- 3 Methodist
- 1 Baptist
- 1 Church of Christ
- 1 Congregational Christian
- 2 Undenominational
- 1 Interdenominational
- 2 Church of the Brethren
- 1 Evangelical United Brethren
- 1 Evangelical Congregational

Material Aid Program—This year our people were encouraged to give only the very basic and concentrated foods rather than any and all kinds as was the case in previous years. In spite of this, foods came into the warehouses in a large stream; and although the total tonnage is a little below that of 1946, the total actual food value is probably the greatest

that MCC has shipped in any one year. Meat, flour, dried vegetables, and fruits, were leading contributions throughout the year. Clothing contributions fluctuated considerably during the year, but the total for the year was larger than anticipated. During the year three children's projects were sponsored which met with enthusiastic support: Christmas Bundles, School Bags, and Play Equipment.

Material Aid collection centers are located at: Silver Springs, Pennsylvania; Ephrata, Pennsylvania, Goshen, Indiana, Newton, Kansas; Reedley, California; Kitchener, Ontario; and Winnipeg, Manitoba. There are two semitrucks operating in the United States between warehouses and shipping ports. Thirty-three people are actively engaged in packing and shipping of material aid. Following is a summary giving the evaluation of the material aid shipped during the year for each country:

COUNTRY	FOOD	CLOTHING & SC	OAP OTHER*	TOTAL
Holland		\$ 21,188.30	\$ 37,166.20	\$ 58,351.50
Germany	\$725,469.35	334,124.02	64,572.50	1,124,165.87
Austria	140,564.70	70,283.85	11,756.09	222,604.64
France	4,437.71	1,426.65	13,575.70	19,440.06
Italy	9,460.74	27,273.55	14,245.10	50,979.39
Poland	27,611.70	31,562.90	6,298.00	65,472.60
Belgium	460.96	7,163.25	12,392.50	20,016.71
Hungary	29,710.20	51,969.05	4,286.00	85,965.25
India	4,140.00	22,146.00	5,908.50	32,194.50
Java	8,000.00			8,000.00
China	13,058.30	34,792.78	9,402.10	57,253.18
Philippines		18.40	10,215.46	10,233.86
Ethiopia		2,567.00	5,212.20	7,779.20
Puerto Rico	1,078.16	155.00	2,121.20	3,354.36
Paraguay		17,264.60	20,137.93	37,402.53
Mennonite Refugees	,	65,471.94	7,222.60	72,694.54
Outfitting Relief Workers		500.95		500.95
Totals	\$963,991.82	\$687,905.24	\$224,512.08	\$1,876,409.14
		Shipped for auxilian	ry organizations	259,744.45

\$2,136,153.59

#### II. MENNONITE AID SECTION

Establishing the eligibility of our Mennonite refugees for international assistance (first from the Intergovernmental Committee on Refugees and later from the International Refugee Organization) was the most significant development of 1947, because on this question depended the measure of outside financial assistance that would be given our program. The

international refugee bodies are not permitted to assist persons of German ethnical origin. Hence, it was necessary that we establish the Dutch origin of our people. A petition was first filed with the Intergovernmental Committee on Refugees in February, 1947, requesting financial help for the S. S. Volendam movement to South America. We received a favorable decision and a grant of 40,000 pounds

<sup>\*</sup> Including Christmas bundles, school bags, toys, books, tools and seeds.

sterling or the equivalent of \$160,000.00 as partial assistance for the movement. The Intergovernmental Committee on Refugees, has also determined our people eligible for assistance. During the year our people contributed \$554.272.35 for refugee migration work, and an additional amount of \$85,295.00 was made available for use through ten-year loans.

The most significant movement of our refugees was the Volendam group under the leadership of Peter and Elfrieda Dyck. Peter has presented this story to a large part of our constituency before returning to Europe for further refugee migration service. The dramatic departure of the 1,000 refugees from Berlin and later the 2,305 from Bremerhaven, the reception in Buenos Aires, and their trials during the period of revolution in Paraguay from March to August, were experiences in which the faith of all was sorely tried. Canada began taking refugees in larger numbers during 1947, but the number in view of the large refugee population in Europe has been small. It is significant that Canadian Immigration is increasing and we may expect that the number of Mennonite immigrants admitted will grow proportionately. During the year, 483 Mennonite refugees were able to enter Canada. The United States Government receives immigrants on a quota basis and since practically all our refugees come under the Russia quota, which is exceedingly small, we have not been able to bring more than thirty-six to the United States during the past year.

Two refugee camps were opened by MCC during 1947, the first at Gronou in the British Zone in charge of Seigfried and Margaret Janzen, the Backnang Camp in the United States Zone is in charge of Elfrieda Dyck.

Mennonite Resettlement Finance, Inc., was established during the past year to act as trustee of Mennonite Central Committee funds and property devoted to the migration and resettlement of Mennonite refugees.

Efforts were made to open refugee resettlement not only in Paraguay, Canada, and the United States, but also in Mexico, Brazil, and Argentina. The efforts in the case of the latter three countries have not been successful as yet.

#### III. Peace Section

The Peace Section is concerned primarily with the promotion of the non-resistant faith

among our people. Efforts are made to keep interested groups informed of developments on such matters as effect our peace position locally or nationally, to express our conviction and witness to government and to study further the nonresistant way of life. In addition to this work among our people at home, the ministry has been extended to our Mennonite brethren in Europe and South America. H. S. Bender has been working in Europe since May in order to help revitalize the nonresistant belief. C. J. Rempel spent the summer months in Paraguay on a similar mission. In order to facilitate work of this nature a German translation of the booklet "Must Christians Fight" has been completed and publication of the booklet will be realized in the near future. Funds contributed for this purpose totalled \$8,159.19.

#### IV. Civilian Public Service

The Civilian Public Service program came to an official end March 29, 1947. The life span of CPS thus fell short one month of reaching six full years. The Mennonite Central Committee operated 66 of the total number of base camps, units, and special projects. Of the 12,000 men who served in CPS approximately 5,830 participated in MCC operated ccamps at some time or another. In order to operate this large number of camps, it was necessary to recruit 192 directors and assistant directors and 242 educational directors. Altogether, it cost \$3,155,000.00 to finance this program and this large sum was obtained entirely through the voluntary contributions of the Mennonite and Brethren in Christ Churches.

#### V. Voluntary Service

A number of young people have been challenged to continue certain projects in which certain CPS men had served. This includes work of various types such as attendent work in mental institutions, community welfare work, visual education, community education, sanitation work, and other activities. Among the 1947 summer service units were: Cleveland State Hospital; Colorado State Hospital; Skillman State Village for Epileptics; Gulfport, Mississippi; Cuauhtemoc, Mexico; and Akron, Pennsylvania. Workers also served on a one-year basis at Gulfport, Mississippi and Cuauhtemoc, Mexico. Several voluntary service workers have been assisting in the development

of the Brook Lane Farm, a home for mentally

One arrangement providing opportunities for short-term service during some season other than summer has been that of the year-round seasonal unit. The Skillman Unit has been chosen for the location of this year-round service arrangement in which workers may join the unit for any of the four service terms of the year. At Gulfport a winter unit of six months duration was planned also. It was felt that this voluntary service program is a channel through which a demonstration of our Christian concern and witness can be given to these underprivileged and distressed areas and at the same time provide a source of inspiration and growth for those young people who participate.

#### VI. Mental Health Service

Also growing out of the CPS experience has been the progress toward the establishment of Mennonite Homes for Mentally-ill. During the past year this idea has developed into concrete form in the conversion of the former CPS camp at Hagertown, Maryland, into the Brook Lane Farm, a home for mentally ill. Definite plans are under way also to establish a Mennonite hospital in California.

#### VII. Menno Travel Service

In view of the large number of personnel travelling abroad on MCC assignments and similar travel by other workers of the church, business men, tourists, etc., it has been felt that a service can be rendered also in this area. Menno Travel Service has been organized somewhat independant of the MCC and provides service to its patrons on a cost basis. Since its organization, it has planned for travel arrangements for many MCC workers, missionaries, private tourists, students, and other travellers.

#### MENNONITE CENTRAL COMMITTEE

Below are the names of the members of the MennoniteCentral Committee with the conference bodies they represent. Tre first five members constitute the executive Committee.

- P. C. Hiebert, Chairman, Hillsboro, Kansas Mennonite Brethren Churck of North America
- H. A. Fast, Vice-Chairman, North Newton, Kansas General Conference of the Mennonite Church of North America.
- Orie O. Miller, Secretary-Treasurer, Akron, Pennsylvania, Member at Large, Mennonite Church

- H. S. Bender, Assistant Secretary, Goshen, Indiana Mennonite Church
- C. F. Klassen, 951 Henderson Highway, Winnipeg, Manitoba
  - Manitoba, Mennonite Brethren Church of North America
- I. W. Bauman, Bluffton, Ohio
  - General Conference of the Mennonite Church of North America
- H. E. Bertsche, Gridley, Illinois
  - Defenceless Mennonite Church
- Henry F. Graber, Mount Joy, Pennsylvania Mennonite Church (Lancaster Conference)
- David V. Wiebe, R. R. 2, Box 242, Reedley California Krimmer Mennonite Brethren of North America
- Kenneth Geiger, 502 East Washington, Goshen, Indiana, Member at Large, United Missionary Church
- Sam J. Schmidt, Marion, South Dakota
  - Evangelical Mennonite Brethren Church
- S. C. Yoder, Goshen, Indiana
- Mennonite Church F. H. Wenger, Moundridge, Kansas
- Church of God in Christ Mennonite
- Elmer G. Swartzendruber, Wellman, Iowa Conservative Amish Mennonite Church
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- Central Conference of Mennonites Eli J. Bontrager, Shipshewana, Indiana
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- Jesse Hoover, 301 North Elm Street, Nappanee, Indiana Brethren in Christ Church
- Jesse B. Martin, 187 Erb Street, Waterloo, Ontario Mennonite Church (Ontario Conference of Historic Peace Churches)
- J. G. Toews, Steinbach, Manitoba
  - General Conference of the Mennonite Church of North America
- P. G. Lehman, 134 Frederick Street, Kitchner, Ontario United Missionary Church
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- J. A. Ringenberg,\* 3820 South Wayne Avenue, Fort Wayne, Indiana, Missionary Church Association \*Associate Member

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## World Conference Assembly on Steps of Memorial Hall



Group picture shows delegates and guests in attendance at the North Newton session of the Fourth Mennonite World Conference, which closed here Aug. 10, after convening at Goshen, Ind. on Aug 3 Mennonite groups in the U. S. and Canada were widely represented at the conference sessions, and total combined attendance was estimated at around 10,000. Outstanding features of the meetings were the reports from Mennonites of other lands brought by the foreign delegates. Shown seated at the front are members of the executive committee of the Mennonite Central Committee, left to right, J. J. Thiessen, C. F. Klassen, O. O. Miller, executive secretary, P. C. Hiebert, chairman, H. A. Fast, and H. S. Bender.

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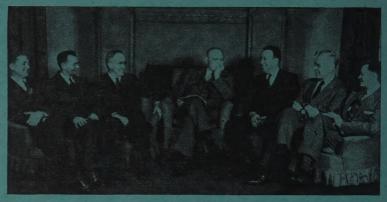
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